--- Series of 1880-81 - TABAC CANADIEN / EN TORQUETTE – Trois-Rivieres Division ---

--- lithographed in green ink - 238 x 20 mm - 4 mm blue controls - scanned at 67% scale ---

--- Inscribed NE DOIT PAS COUVRIR PLUS / **de 1/2 lb.** and as - *C. D. Hebert* / ***Percepteur*** **---**

Chris Ryan reports that *C. D. Hebert* was named Collector at Three Rivers on July1st 1879.

The catalogue lists the 1/2 pound, green, TABAC CANADIEN Trois-Rivieres Division strip as follows:

RT-53 - 1/2 pound, green, perf 12, Trois-Rivieres, on *block wmkd* vertical mesh wove - 4 mm. controls - **WANTED!**
RT-53a - 1/2 pound, green, perf 12, Trois-Rivieres, on *unwatermarked* horizontal mesh wove - 4 mm. controls - **WANTED!**
RT-53b - 1/2 pound, green, perf 12, Trois-Rivieres on *block wmkd* vertical mesh wove - 4 mm. blue controls, stamped **Joliette / CANCELLED** in purple - **WANTED!**

Chris Ryan's research indicates that "Joliette" was absorbed into "Terrebonne" on January 1st 1870, and was again reconstituted as a separate division on January 1st 1880. Thus this **Joliette / CANCELLED** overprint on the "Trois-Rivieres" strip was a provisional for the Joliette Division.

RT-53n - 1/2 pound, green, perf 12, TABAC CANADIEN, Trois-Rivieres Division, *without* control numbering, Lithographed on *block watermarked* vertical mesh wove paper

RT-53bn - 1/2 pound, green, perf 12, TABAC CANADIEN, Trois-Rivieres Division, *without* control numbering, Lithographed on *block watermarked* vertical mesh wove - stamped **Joliette / CANCELLED** in purple

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The following imperforate strip is a remnant, probably from the second TOBACCO section of the **4th BABN Contract**. It has been scissor-clipped from an unfinished imperforate sheet. Since it was not a production item, I feel that it is preferable to simply list it without a separate catalogue number. The back inscription is interesting - who has some more of this writing?

1/2 pound, green, *imperforate*, TABAC CANADIEN, Trois-Rivieres Division, *without* control numbering, Lithographed on *block watermarked* vertical mesh wove paper - inscribed *French 1/2 #* six times

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